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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time extending to January 15, 2004, the period for response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2003. A check for \$475.00 is enclosed. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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